

## JAPAN OWES MUCH TO UNCLE SAM.

Regards America as a "Mother Country," Says Minister Murota.

DOESN'T WANT HAWAII.

The Mikado, However, Wishes His Rights in the Islands Respected.

MIGHT ACCEPT ANNEXATION.

If Japan Were Assured That Treaties Would Be Respected, It Is Possible She Would Withdraw Objections.

Mexico City, Mexico, Aug. 2.—Yoshihumi Murota, Japanese Minister to Mexico, was asked today for his opinion on the Hawaiian matter and its effect on the relations of the United States with his country and other foreign powers. He said:

"Talk about an alliance between Japan and Spain against the United States is erroneous; no such thing is contemplated. Japan owes its modern renaissance to the United States, through whose efforts the country was thrown open to the world. We consider the United States in that sense our mother country. Even if the United States were to make a present of Hawaii to Japan it would not be accepted. The Japanese have no ambition to annex Hawaii, and as I said, would rather see the islands independent and free."

"The newspaper telegrams from London, Paris and other great centers are containing some inaccuracies with reference to the Hawaiian-Japanese question. Thirty years ago the Japanese form of government, up to that time under the Tycoon, was changed. An American had taken fifteen Japanese laborers to Hawaii, where they were held in semi-slavery. The fact reached the notice of the home government and Japan sent an expedition to Hawaii and freed them. This led to the making of the commercial treaty between the two countries twenty-eight years ago; this convention, still intact, contains the most favored nation clause."

"There are many Japanese there, and they have rights there that might be interfered with in the event of annexation."

"What if the United States respected those rights?"

"In such a case, there might be no objection on the part of my government to annexation."

ANOTHER ULTIMATUM DUE

Turks Object to the Final Clauses of the Peace Treaty Drawn by the Powers.

Constantinople, Aug. 2.—It is probable that the powers will be obliged to send another ultimatum to Turkey. Tewfik Pasha has informed the powers that the last sections of the treaty of peace are unsatisfactory, and offered a series of amendments. It is understood that the Ambassadors will not receive.

London, Aug. 2.—Speaking of the settlement of the Greco-Turkish war Lord Salisbury, in the House of Lords today, said:

"There comes in the mysterious and difficult question of the German bondholders. We do not think that any international duty lies on Europe to provide for their payment, though I admit they have been long unpaid."

Lord Salisbury declared that some form of control of Greek finances was inevitable, and with regard to Crete he said sarcastically that the only solution of the trouble seemed to be to dig a ditch and put the Christians on one side and the Mussulmans on the other.

FIERCE RIOTS IN SPAIN.

Residents of the Madrid Districts Wreck Shops and Battle with the Gendarmes.

Madrid, Aug. 2.—Owing to the new regulations in connection with the tax on some articles of consumption, several manufacturers and storekeepers of the district of Madrid closed their premises and created disturbances. The police tried to restore order and were fiercely attacked by the rioters, many citizens being injured.

The rioters wrecked shops in many of the principal streets, and the disorders continued into the night. Women placed themselves deliberately in front of the mounted gendarmes, who were trying to clear the streets.

MRS. A. NELLIS UP AGAIN.

The Real Estate Dealer Charged with Swindling Mrs. Berrian Out of \$350.

Mrs. Albert Nellis, better known as Miss Doris Blacky, who keeps a real estate office at No. 1504 Broadway, was again in trouble yesterday. She was arraigned in the Yorkville Police Court on complaint of Mrs. Berrian, of Pelham, N. Y., who charges her with having swindled her out of \$350.

Mrs. Nellis is now under indictment by the Grand Jury for attempting to swindle Henry Hess, brother of ex-Commissioner Jacob Hess, out of \$100. Magistrate Wentworth said that he could not adjudicate on the matter because he had been Mrs. Nellis's counsel. The case was set down for Thursday afternoon.

GERRY RAISES A FUSS.

Protests Against the Payment of the Dingley Duty on Antique Furniture of the Louis XV. Period.

Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 2.—The Custom House yesterday entered a protest against the enforcement of the Dingley schedule on \$1,500 worth of antique furniture which he imported from London on the steamship Paris, which reached this port on Saturday, July 24. He was accompanied by Maury Gray, of the firm of Gray Bros., Custom House brokers.

The furniture in question was claimed by Commodore Gerry as belonging to the period of Louis XV. Under the Wilson bill all antiques of a date prior to 1750 were admitted free of duty. This furniture was received at the Custom House at noon on the same day that President McKinley signed the tariff bill. It was entered as belonging to the free list.

Naval Officer Gourley insisted that as Louis XV. was not born until 1710 the furniture was liable to duty. It was partly for the purpose of demonstrating to Collector Midwell that the period of Louis XV. began before his birth, that Commodore Gerry visited the Custom House yesterday. In addition to this he wanted to say that he contemplated filing a protest against the Dingley tariff being a basis for the duty on his furniture.

Commodore Gerry asserts that as his goods were entered at the Custom House before the tariff bill was signed, the importation was still subject to the duty provided by the Wilson bill. He proposes to

## BARCIO SHOT HIS FATHER'S SLAYER.

Waylaid Barber Cassata and Took the Revenge He Had Vowed.

LAUGHED OVER HIS DEED.

No Hope for the Wounded Man, Who Killed Barcio Senior Two Years Ago.

"Cassata killed my father. He died at him when he was on the floor dying. I have only tried to get even, and I am glad of it."

A smile wreathed the lips of Peter Barcio, a handsome Italian youth of eighteen years,



In Their Home this Aged Couple Died to Escape Poverty.

They had lived long together, had Mr. and Mrs. Henry Aubert, conducting a little embroidery factory at their home, No. 45 Lincoln street, Jersey City. Last Sunday found them with only sixteen cents, the result of years of toil. Their servant, Louisa Koch, prepared breakfast for them yesterday morning, and when they did not appear, gave an alarm. The old couple were found in their room, dead, with the gas jets turned on.

carry the matter to court and make a test case of this point, which is now greatly disturbing the importers. The furniture in question under the present bill is liable to a duty of thirty-five per cent ad valorem.

SQUADRON STARTS NORTH

Under Command of Admiral Sicaud It Will Reach Newport This Morning.

The ships of the North Atlantic Squadron, with the exception of the battleship Texas, and the monitor Puritan, left the anchorage at Tompkinsville yesterday morning for a cruise to Newport and the Summer resorts along the New England coast. The ships that form the fleet are the cruiser New York, flagship of the squadron; the armored cruiser Brooklyn, and the battleships Massachusetts, Indiana and Maine. The squadron is in command of Admiral Sicaud.

One of the officers attached to the Navy Yard, when told of the accident, to the Puritan, said: "I am not a bit surprised. It was predicted when the vessel left the Navy Yard to join the fleet that she would not get as far as Fire Island before she broke down. The vessel ought to be put out of commission and thoroughly overhauled. She is a good ship, but the engines and machinery are obsolete."

The ships are expected to arrive at Newport this morning. They will be met there by the dispatch boat Dolphin, with Secretary of the Navy Long on board. They will remain in the harbor until after the display on Wednesday night, when they will leave for Boston. The battleship Indiana will leave the squadron there and go to Halifax, where she is to be floated into the dry dock to be cleaned and painted and also to have bilge keels fitted to her hull.

After leaving the Summer resorts, the ships will proceed to sea for drills. This will be the first time that the battleships have been drilled in squadron maneuvers. It is expected the vessels will return to this port about September 1.

LABOR'S OPINION OF BROWN

Boston's C. L. U. Denounces Action of Trustees Toward President Andrews.

Boston, Aug. 2.—The resignation of President Andrews, of Brown University, was considered by 150 delegates at yesterday's meeting of the Central Labor Union. It was approved and the policy of the trustees in criticizing him for his economic principles was condemned.

Resolutions were adopted referring to "the brutalities and the squandering of the trustees, and declaring that their action is a most ominous sign of the growth of the plutocratic spirit in our colleges."

as he stood a prisoner in the Elizabeth Street Station at 10:30 o'clock last night. The St. Vincent Hospital ambulance, bearing Frank Cassata, the young man's victim, passed the station at that moment with clanging bell, and Barcio smiled again.

His revenge was complete; he had shot his father's slayer in a dark hallway in Elizabeth street, near Prince, twenty minutes before, and he went to a cell with a cheerful heart. Cassata will probably die.

The wounded man was a barber and only two weeks ago he was pardoned and released from Sing Sing Prison, where he had been sentenced to nineteen years for shooting Peter's father, Joseph Barcio, in the latter's butcher shop, at No. 443 East Thirtieth street, on February 4, 1895. Just what led up to the shooting was not made clear, even at the trial. The two men had come to work, and young Peter arrived on the scene in time to see his father gassing his last.

The arrest of Cassata and his subsequent conviction were all that saved the barber from Peter Barcio's vengeance at that time. Rage consumed young Barcio when he heard of Cassata's release. He swore revenge, and Cassata, who heard of it, is credited with saying that if Peter didn't like the pardon he would give the boy the same dose his father had received. The boy came to Peter Barcio's ears and he intensified his hatred. He bought a .32-caliber revolver and at 8 o'clock last night stationed himself in a dark hallway in Elizabeth street and waited. He knew Cassata lived in the neighborhood and would pass there.

Two hours passed and then Cassata sauntered by. No one else was within half a block. Words passed, but Barcio alone can tell what they were. The youth waited barely long enough to hear what Cassata said, and then opened fire. Five shots were fired by him and Cassata fell in the gutter. Barcio fled along Elizabeth street and into a cellar at No. 208, where he was captured by Detectives Kealy and Christal and Policemen Morgan and Coffey. He submitted quietly and uttered not a word until the station was reached, and then he gave vent to his joy.

At St. Vincent's Cassata was found to have but one wound, in the back, but it will kill him, the surgeons say. He has a wife and two children.

DIDN'T ABDUCT THE CAVE GIRL

City Magistrate Thomas F. Wentworth, in the Yorkville Police Court, yesterday, dismissed the complaint of abduction against Joseph Madden, preferred against him by Susie Grumet, the fifteen-year-old dweller in "Sun Dodgers' Cave," Central Park.

The Court decided that the evidence adduced in support of the complaint was wholly insufficient and discharged the accused.

MONEY FOR A MISSING MAN.

Knapp Can't Be Found to Claim \$1,845 Due Him on a Relative's Life Policy.

Justice Stover, of the Supreme Court, has appointed Michael F. Shelley receiver for William B. Knapp on the application of John L. Wits, of Schenectady, N. Y. Mr. Knapp was a dry goods salesman and his whereabouts are unknown. Efforts to find him have been unsuccessful. He frequently called at rooming missions in the city, but the managers had not seen him for a year. A personal was published in the newspapers of July 4 last, but he would not answer it. He is now being sought by the attorneys, but he did not respond. The Mutual Life Insurance Company has \$1,845 belonging to him in his interest in a relative's policy, against which the receiver is directed.

FIRST BUYERS NOW DUE

Merchants' Association Excursions Will Begin to Arrive Here This Week.

This week will be a red letter one in the history of the Merchants' Association. The first excursion announced in the Joint Traffic Association's territory began August 4. Among the letters received yesterday was one from the Williams & Rogers Co., of Cleveland, in which that firm says: "We think there will be a larger number of buyers leave this city for New York, August 27 to 31, than ever before. The low passenger rate coming just at the time they want to go, will be quite an inducement." Similar letters from out-of-town correspondents of big local houses which belong to the Merchants' Association contain equally encouraging news.

The time within which the tickets for these excursions will be sold commences to-morrow, and expires on the 7th, the dates being inclusive. The tickets will be good for thirty days from date of sale, and the round trip will cost a rate of fare equal to one and one-third of a single trip ticket from any point in the Joint Traffic Association territory to New York and return, the tickets having a stop-over privilege.

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Some time later she discovered a letter, addressed to George Raven, of No. 458 Central avenue, an old and intimate friend of the family. On it were instructions for its immediate delivery. As she opened the letter, she found it was a notice of a large room on the second floor. Thither the girl, alarmed by her unusual discovery, ran first. The doors were locked, the windows tightly closed. She knocked, but could get no response. She called out, but silence greeted her. Then she noticed a smell of gas and ran to the house of Mr. Raven.

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A few moments after receiving the note Mr. Raven, accompanied by Roundsman Richards, hurried to the house. The door was forced open and the two strong men fell back almost suffocated by the rush of gas. It was pouring out from a jet attached to a large wall and from two jets in the chandelier.

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## AGED COUPLE DIE TO SHIRK POVERTY

With Sixteen Cents Only Left in the Bank They Saw No Hope.

HAD BEEN PROSPEROUS.

The Bodies of This Husband and Wife Are Found in a Gas-Filled Room.

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MORGAN LOOKS FOR WAR.

He Believes that Spain Will Adopt That as a Last Resort to Explain Cuba's Loss.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Senator Morgan, who will shortly leave for Hawaii, is of the belief that recent occurrences tend to confirm the prediction made in the Journal last Fall to the effect that before Spain would relinquish Cuba to the insurgents she would drag the United States into a war in order that the climax might be made as glorious for her "illustrious sword" as possible, and that her Government might explain the loss of Cuba to the people of Spain by showing that defeat had been administered by a nation of the first class. To-night he said:

"I have long believed that Spain would attempt to involve the United States in war in order to be able to surrender the island with a specious maintenance of her national dignity. She will sooner or later have to give up her Cuban possessions, and to lose Cuba alone will precipitate civil revolution and the possible return to power of the Carlists."

"I believe that the crisis is at hand, and that the United States will be drawn in to solve the difficulty. General Woodford, who has been appointed to demand an indemnity in the Reia case, and I have no reason to believe that the policy of the Administration, though moderate, will be more rigorous than that of the last. Mr. McKinley is a man of peace, but will not submit to a demand for indemnity in the Reia case which will afford one of the many possible pretexts for offence on the part of Spain. She may refuse to pay the indemnity, and may demand the recall of some of our consular officers who are objectionable to her. This, or any rebuff on our part concerning Spanish treatment of Americans in Cuba, or the like, would easily precipitate war, and the challenge will not be raised by the United States. The United States would, of course, land troops on the island and victory would be shortly achieved."

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STRONG BUTTONS OUT.

Agent Who Appears in the City Hall with an Instalment of the Campaigners Surprises the Mayor.

A broad-shouldered, stockily built, shabbily-dressed man, with red hair, walked into the Mayor's office yesterday and began to distribute campaign buttons on it for a moment, then pushed it aside with the remark that he had never authorized any such use of his picture, and he was not at all grateful to the "ventriloquist citizen" who was "speculating on the Mayor's reputation."

The man admitted that he represented a concern which made a specialty of getting up "campaign equipments," that 50,000 were ready for delivery, and he wanted to "force their issue." Strong's picture was used in the suggestion of any political organization. He had tried to get a picture from President Seth Love and he was not at all grateful to the "ventriloquist citizen" who was "speculating on the Mayor's reputation."

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